Maryland Institution for the Instruction of the Blind, and by that name may sue and be sued, answer and defend in any court of law or equity, and may ordain and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations as shall appear necessary or proper for conducting the concerns of said corporation, and shall not be contrary to law, and the same to alter and renew at pleasure, and may have and use, and at pleasure change a common seal, and generally may do any act or thing necessary or proper to carry into effect the provisions of this act and to promote the design of the corporation.

Object of corporation. SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the object of said corporation shall be the instruction of the blind.

Donations.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said corporation shall have the power of receiving donations, subscriptions, devises and legacies of real or personal estate and money, and to purchase and hold real and personal property, in trust or otherwise, for the promotion of the objects of the corporation.

Board of discretors.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the board of directors shall consist of nine persons, who shall be elected annually by the corporate members of said institution, on the first Monday of January; but in case no election shall then take place, the directors then in office shall continue to hold over until a new election shall take place; Provided, however, that the nine persons above named be and they are hereby constituted the directors of the institution, to serve until the first annual election.

Vacancy how filled.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That in case of death, resignation or removal from the State, of any of said directors, the remaining directors shall have the power of filling such vacancies, until a new election of the others shall be held by the corporation.

Banking forbid.

Reservation.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this act contained, shall be so construed as to authorise said corporation to issue any note, token or other evidence of debt, to be used as currency; and the Legislature hereby reserves to itself the right to alter, amend or

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In force.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.